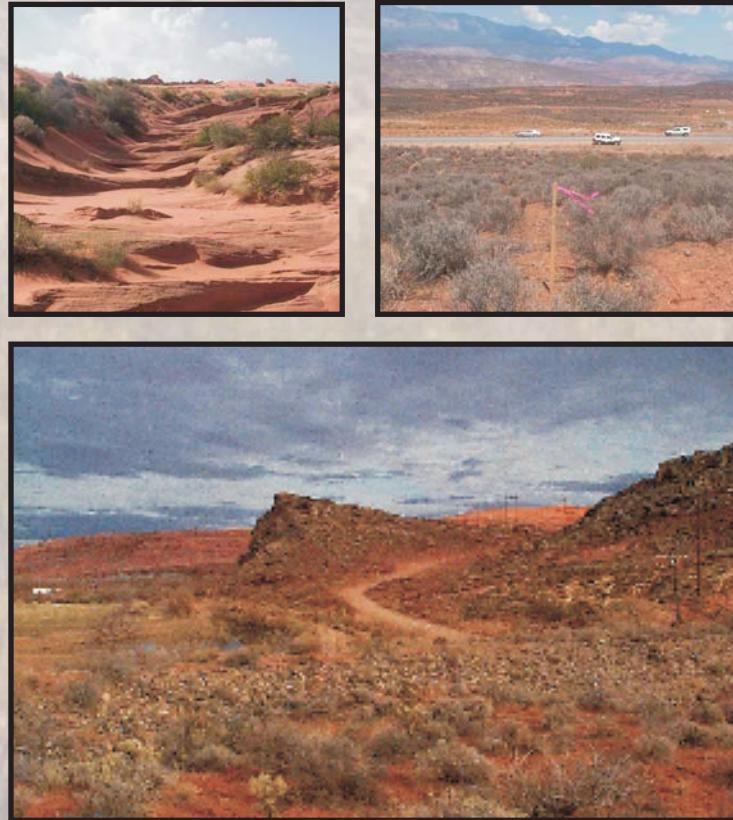




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Abstract

The proposed action is the construction of the Southern Corridor, a proposed four-lane, limited-access highway beginning at Interstate 15 (I-15) about 3 miles north of the Arizona border and connecting with State Route 9 (SR 9) near Hurricane. Depending on the alternative selected, the highway would be between 20 to 26 miles in length. The primary purpose of the Southern Corridor is to provide a regional transportation facility between St. George, Washington City, and Hurricane that would complement local land use plans. Four alternatives are considered: the No-Build Alternative, 4300 West Alternative, 3400 West Alternative, and 2800 West Alternative. Environmental impacts in over 20 categories are discussed. Mitigation measures to reduce the levels of impacts are also described.

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